

THE ROYAL HIGHLAND AND AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF SCOTLAND

PLOUGHING MATCH AWARD SCHEME

RULES OF COMPETITION

(Please read carefully)

1. All matches must be at the instance of a Local Society or Ploughing Association, and no Match at the instance of an individual, or confined to the tenants of one Estate, will be recognised.
2. The Title of such Society or Association, together with the name and address of its Secretary, must be registered with The Royal Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland, Royal Highland Centre, Ingliston, Edinburgh, EH28 8NF.
3. Not more than one Match can take place under the auspices of the same Society or Association in the same season and only one Medal can be awarded for each Match.
4. All reports must be lodged within one month of the date of the Match, and certified by a Member of the Royal Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland who was present. A member can report only one Match each season.
5. A Ploughman cannot carry more than three medals in the same season.
NOTE: The Ploughing Match Medals DO NOT admit to the Royal Highland Show.
6. The Medal may be offered either for Class or Overall Match at the discretion of the Local Society or Ploughing Association. The Medal must be offered as the First Prize in the Class or Overall Match.
7. To warrant the grant of a Medal the minimum number of ploughs in actual competition must have been:
 - (a) 12 ploughs if for overall match
 - (b) 9 ploughs if for tractor class
 - (c) 3 ploughs if for horse class
8. Attention should be given to the firmness and sufficiency of the work below, more than to its neatness above the surface.
9. The Local Society or Ploughing Association must specify the maximum time allowed for actual ploughing but this **MUST NOT** be more than the rates shown or the equivalent:

Tractor Ploughs

2 furrow Tractor Ploughs 3.75 hours for half an acre (0.202 Ha)

3 furrow Tractor Ploughs 3.75 hours for three-quarters of an acre (0.303 Ha)

4 furrow Tractor Ploughs 3.75 hours for one acre (0.405 Ha)

Horse Ploughs 3.75 hours for quarter of an acre (0.101 Ha)

Where the **TOTAL** time allocated is more than the above the Local Society or Ploughing Association must specify and report the duration of any breaks competitors are obliged to take to allow for Judging.

10. A copy of the Entry Form and Rules of the Match published by the Local Society or Ploughing Association must accompany every application.
11. Any infringement of the above Rules by a Local Society or Ploughing Association will render the local Society or Association liable, at the discretion of the R.H.A.S.S. Board of Directors, to be debarred from receiving the Society's Medals in the future.

All reports will be acknowledged after receipt. If an acknowledgement is not received within 10 days of mailing, please contact the Secretary's Office to confirm that the Report has been received.